Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO 2011-12 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 5

Question No: 261

Topic: Income Support for Carers

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Senator Fifield asked:

In 2010-11, how many people, and what proportion of all Carer Payment recipients, temporarily ceased to provide care under the 63 day allowance for Carer Payment?

Answer:

According to Department of Human Services administrative data, as at June 2011 9,127 (4.9 per cent) Carer Payment recipients had reported using temporary cessation of care days.